



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request titled "Customer Surveys Generic Clearance for the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS)" to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a "Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations" notice on September 23, 2022 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC did not receive comments related to the previous notice. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

CDC will accept all comments for this proposed information collection project. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

- (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including, through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses; and

(e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639-7570. Comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Provide written comments within 30 days of notice publication.

Proposed Project

Customer Surveys Generic Clearance for the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) (OMB Control No. 0920-0729, Exp. 08/31/2023) – Extension – National Center for Health Statistics

(NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Section 306 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act (42 U.S.C. 242k), as amended, authorizes that the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), acting through the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), shall collect statistics on the extent and nature of illness and disability of the population of the United States. This is an Extension request for a generic approval from OMB to conduct customer surveys over the next three years.

As part of a comprehensive program, NCHS plans to continue to assess its customers' satisfaction with the content, quality and relevance of the information it produces. NCHS will conduct voluntary customer surveys to assess strengths in agency products and services and to evaluate how well it addresses the emerging needs of its data users. Results of these surveys will be used in future planning initiatives.

The data will be collected using a combination of methodologies appropriate to each survey. These may include evaluation forms, mail surveys, focus groups, automated and electronic technology (e.g., e-mail, web-based surveys), and telephone surveys. Systematic surveys of several groups will be folded into the program. Among these are federal customers and policy makers, state and local officials who rely on NCHS data, the broader educational, research, and public health

community, and other data users. Respondents may include data users who register for and/or attend NCHS sponsored conferences, persons who access the NCHS Web site and the detailed data available through it, consultants, and others. Respondent data items may include (in broad categories) information regarding respondent's gender, age, occupation, affiliation, location, etc., to be used to characterize responses only. Other questions will attempt to obtain information that will characterize the respondents' familiarity with and use of NCHS data, their assessment of data content and usefulness, general satisfaction with available services and products, and suggestions for improvement of surveys, services and products.

In order to capture feedback opportunities, this extension request allows for both respondents and time per response for a total estimated annual burden total of 2,250 hours. There is no cost to respondents other than their time to participate in the surveys.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondent	Form Name	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per Response (Hours)
Questionnaire for conference registrants /attendees	Public/private researchers, Consultants, and others	1,000	1	15/60
Focus groups	Public/private researchers, Consultants, and others	500	1	1

Web-based	Public/ private researchers, Consultants, and others	4,000	1	15/60
Other customer surveys	Public/ private researchers, Consultants, and others	2,000	1	15/60

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